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According to the calendar, spring arrives this week . . . March 20, but nature has its own way of telling the world that spring has unlocked itself from the prison of apply and conduct ourselves accordingly.

As February fades away snow storms cease and become snow flurries. searching for a mate and smell so good either! the perfect limb to build a new home. Nature gave or make something called them the instinct to build, a "hot bed," which conbut also how to go about sisted of a box-like frame, building it. It's a miracu- about three foot wide and lous thing to me.

glide slowly toward the one foot was located bewest, in the late afternoon, low ground level. About a forcing sun beams through foot of horse manure was

Spring Arrives

every day. The days are al- to eight inches of dirt was makes me happier!

low flowers and the pink about four days, the deplums and the Bradford composition of the mapear trees are snow white nure produced heat and with bloom.

spring too. A huge pile had garden. grown daily over the winclean the barn out.

from our barn was scat- their soil for crops. tered on the pasture land. "man strength."

ice, snow and sometimes, required a certain skill to again and we see God's below zero temperatures scatter a fork evenly. When handiwork of abundance that has been confining the wagon was stopped in surrounding us. Just as he for the past few months. the field, the manure was designed for this season Nature unfolds its seasons scattered, first on one side to testify of His goodness. at the correct time and we and then the other and be- He wants us to enjoy His hind the wagon. The trac- abundant goodness in our tor was pulled up and the lives. As you and I enjoy same procedure repeated spring, let's allow our soul and March arrives, the until the wagon was emp- to spring alive through foty and headed back to the cusing on God each and barn for another load. The every day. The robins return and join job usually took about a other feathered friends, week of back-breaking fliting here and there hard work and you didn't

Some people have made six to eight long and about In a few days the sun will three feet deep. At least

ready getting longer and it added and finally covered isn't dark till around 7:30 with burlap sacks. The p.m. More daylight hours bed was covered with old window frames to pre-I've noticed in my yard vent rain from entering the forsythia bushes are and later to provide light blooming with bright yel- for the growing plants. In the "hot bed" was nice and We know spring is the warm and just right to put time for planting cold in sweet potatoes and to weather crops, but ma- sow tomato and pepper nure hauling came in the seeds, for set out in the

The hot bed sounds ter and now it was time to somewhat like preparing a tobacco bed where Horse manure is great we also planted seeds at fertilizer especially for the end of the bed; except roses and vegetables and we never used manure. cow manure scattered on The bed was burned with thegardensenrichthesoil. wood. Old-timers had Most of the cow manure many ways to preparing

Beside cleaning out Atthattime we didn't have barns and planting gara manure spreader, so it dens, spring brings outwas loaded on the wagon door sports, picnics, hikwith a four-pronged pitch ing and more daylight fork and was done with hours. Spring shouts, "More!" It's the season Unloading in the field when earth comes alive



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MONDAY March 25	TUESDAY March 26	WEDNESDAY March 27	THURSDAY March 28	FRIDAY March 29
SOUTH IRVINE EARLY LEARNING CENTER BREAKFASTS				
Sausage Biscuit Oranges Milk	Oatmeal & Toast Apples Milk	Maple Waffles Peaches Milk	Biscuit & Gravy Hash Browns Milk	Chocolate Muffin Fruit, Apple Juice Milk
SOUTH IRVINE EARLY LEARNING CENTER LUNCHES				
Chicken Nuggets Roll, Green Beans Mashed Potatoes Pineapples, Milk	Ham Sandwich French Fries Cucumbers Strawberry Cups	Chicken Noodle Soup, Peaches Grilled Cheese Carrot Sticks	Hot Dogs on Bun Tater Tots Mandarin Oranges Milk	Pizza Corn Apples Milk
ESTILL SPRINGS BREAKFASTS				
Breakfast Pizza or Toast/Cocoa Puffs Pineapple Asst. Juice Milk Choices	Mini Maple Pan- cakes/ Syrup or Cinn. Toast Crunch Graham Snacks Applesauce	Donut or Chocolate Pop Tart, Frosted Flakes, Pears Asst. Juice Milk Choices	Scrambled Eggs or Lucky Charms Toast/Bacon Banana Asst. Juice, Milk	Blueberry or Banana Muffin, Fruit Loops Peaches Asst. Juice Milk Choices
ESTILL SPRINGS LUNCHES				
Chicken Tenders Roll, Green Beans Mashed Potatoes Pears Milk	Hamburger/Bun French Fries Tomato/Pickle Slices CA Blend Veggies Pineapple, Milk	Chili/Crackers Grilled Cheese Fresh Broccoli/Dip Cauliflower Mandarin Oranges	Cheese Pizza Corn Grape Tomatoes/Dip Peaches Milk	Bologna Sandwich BBQ Chips Baked Beans Baby Carrots/Dip Applesauce, Milk
WEST IRVINE BREAKFASTS				
Pancake Porky or Cereal Strawberry Cup Juice, Milk	Egg Omelet & Toast or Cereal Peaches Juice, Milk	Donut or Cereal Orange Juice Milk	Dutch Waffle or Cereal Applesauce Juice, Milk	Assorted Muffins or Cereal Apple Juice, Milk
WEST IRVINE LUNCHES				
Oven Fried Chicken or Chicken Nuggets Roll, Peas Mashed Potatoes Apples/S-berry Cup	Cheeseburger/Bun or Pork Chop/Bun French Fries Mandarin oranges Mixed Fruit	Corn Dog of Walking Taco Bar Mexican Beans Carrot Sticks/Dip Peaches/Fresh Fruit	Chicken Alfredo or Ravioli, Garlic Toast Green Beans Glazed Carrots Pears, Applesauce	Cheese Pizza or Stuffed Crust Pizza Corn, Garden Salad w/Grape Tomatoes Pineapple, sidekicks
ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL BREAKFAST				
Breakfast Pizza Frosted Flakes, Pop Tarts, Cereal Bars Mandarin Oranges	Sausage Biscuit Fruit Loops, Pop Tarts, Cereal Bars Pears, Juice, Milk	Mini Pancakes/syrup Cocoa Puffs, Pop Tarts, Cereal Bas Applesauce	Breakfast Bun Trix, Cereal Bars Pop Tarts, Peaches Asst. Juice, Milk	Egg Sliders Cinn. Toast Crunch Cereal Bars, Pop Tarts, M. Oranges
ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL LUNCH				
Popcorn Chicken Roll Cheesy Potatoes Steamed Broccoli Apple/Mixed Fruit Milk or Juice	Hot Dog on Bun or Turkey/Cheese Sand., Baked Beans Potato Wedges Orange Slices Sidekicks	Pizza Hut pizza Corn Carrot Sticks/Dip Grapes Strawberry Cups Milk or Juice	Lasagna, Garlic Bread or Calzone Garden Salad w/ Grape Tomatoes Green Beans, A- sauce, M. Oranges	Boscos or Chicken Quesadilla Marinara Sauce Carrot Sticks/Dip Pears, M. Oranges Milk or Juice
ESTILL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST				
Sausage/Egg/ Cheese Slider, Cereal, Cereal Bars, Pop Tarts. Donuts Oranges or Apples	Breakfast Pizza Pop Tarts Powdered Donuts Yogurt Parfait Apples or Oranges	Bacon, Egg, & Cheese Biscuit Pop Tarts, Yogurt Parfait, Donuts Apples or Oranges	Sausage Biscuit Pop Tarts, Yogurt Parfait, Donut Holes Oranges or Apples Juice, Milk	Eggstravaganza Wrap, Poptarts, Cereal Cereal Bars Mini Choc. Donuts Oranges or Apples
ESTILL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH Offered Daily: Pizza Line Sandwich Box, Salad Box				
Cheeseburger/Bun Chili Dogs Let./Tom./Pickles Potato Wedges Baked Beans Tropical Fruit Sidekicks Juice/Asst. Milk	Corn Dogs Fish on Bun Pizza Hut Pizza Let./Tom./Pickles Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Cantaloupe Applesauce	Burrito Bar Let./Tomato/Cheese Refried Beans Corn, Salsa Peaches Pineapples Juice Asst. Milk	Chicken Alfredo w/ Breadstick Mr. Rib on Bun Steamed Broccoli Grape Tomatoes Corn, Pears Applesauce Juice, Asst. Milk	Chili w/Crackers Grilled Cheese Carrot Sticks Broccoli Bits Mandarin Oranges Strawberry Cup Juice Asst. Milk
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